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THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1908. Partly cloudy to-day; fair and warmer to-morrow.

NEW SCANDAL IN EQUITABLE

HINTED AT IN YESTERDAY'S HOT MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS.

Said to Involve \$10,000,000 and to Concern an Institution Over Which Hendricks Has No Control-Lincoln. Hughitt and Low Resign-Charles Stewart Smith Flares Up-The Executhe Committee to Be Reorganized.

That a new impropriety in the Equitable scandal, involving something like \$10,000,000, will shortly be disclosed by State Superintendent of Insurance Francis Hendricks was stated yesterday by one of the society's directors at the adjourned meeting of the hoard called to elect a chairman of the heard and to reorganize the society's executive committee. The statement startled

President James W. Alexander and Vice-President James Hazen Hyde are concerned in the new scandal. Supt. Hendricks, it was said, had run across evidences of piece of wood. On this young loken's questionable transactions in his investigaquestionable transactions in his investigation of the Equitable's books and had traced them to the doors of an institution over which he had no right of supervision.

was for this reason, it was said, that supt. Kilburn of the State Banking Department had been called in. Nothing definite was learned of the character of the transaction under investigation.

Yesterday's meeting of the board was scarcely less lively than the stormy one of last Friday. There were hot personal encounters again and three more members WARBURTON NECKLACE FOUND. of the board resigned. They are Robert T. Lincoln, Joseph T. Low and Marvin Hughitt. This makes thirteen that have withdrawn from the directorate, the others being Edward H. Harriman, Henry C. Frick, Cornelius N. Bliss, Melville E. Ingalls, A. J. Cassatt, Jacob H. Sohiff, T. Jefferson Coolidge, John A. Stewart, D. O. Mills and John Sloane.

Mr. Low did not get out until he had introduced two resolutions calling on Mr. Alexander and Mr. Hyde to retire from office. In each instance President Alexander, as the presiding officer, surrendered the chair to Senator Chauncey M. Depew, who ruled that the motion was out of order. These resolutions called out a storm of bitter remarks by directors on both the Hyde and Alexander sides and for a time it looked as though the meeting was going to resolve itself into a proceeding as thoroughly noisy as last Friday's.

Charles S. Smith jumped up and admitted that he had been a "dummy." They had all been dummies, he said. He had attended meetings of the board for years and had never had a single important thing come before him for his consideration. He was getting disgusted. Well, why don't you resign then?" one

of the other directors suggested.
"No, no, no," shouted Mr. Smith, "I will not resign. While I may be a dummy, I don't propose to run under fire and get shot in the back. I propose to stay here in this

board as a thorn in the side of some of you

gentlemen who would like to see me get out." The chief purpose for which the directors were called together was not accomplished. Not only was there no vote on a candidate for the new office of chairman of the board. but Mr. Hyde and his supporters were not able even to suggest the name of a man who would accept the place if it were offered to him. A new committee made up of Senator Chauncey M. Depew. David H. Moffatt, Louis Fitzgerald, August Belmont and J. B. Forgan was appointed to select a candidate and present his name at an djourned meeting to be held next Friday. Mr. Forgan is the only member of the origithal nominating committee who is to serve on the new one. If the committee fails to present on Friday a name to the board, the nominations shall be invited from individual directors. The new board is a Hyde committee all the way through. It will serve.

Definite action was, however, taken at the meeting looking toward the reorganization of the executive committee. In the future it is to be composed of the president, first vice-president and comptroller as exofficio members and four directors who are not officers. As made up at present the committee is composed of twelve members, including Second Vice-President Gage E. Tarbell and Vice-Presidents George T. Wilson and W. H. McIntyre.

The resolution passed yesterday means that Tarbell, Wilson and McIntyre will be dropped along with two other committeemen to be designated later.

A further resolution was adopted providing that the salaries of the society's executive officers should be reduced to correspond with those paid by other insurance. tanking and trust corporations, the exact amounts to be determined upon later. A general reduction of the running expenses of the society also was recommended.

The salary paid to President Alexander of the Equitable corresponds pretty closely to the salaries paid to the executive heads of the other big insurance companies, but the other officers of the Equitable draw salaries considered to be excessive. Mr. Hyde, for instance, gets \$100,000 a year as first vice-president of the Equitable, while the vice-presidents of other companies get on the average about \$25,000.

It was further resolved by the board that no advances to agents or other agency expenditures should be made without the approval of the executive committee; also, that all investments made by the executive committee should in the future he made subject to the approval of the board, and that the amounts of deposits uniformly carried in banks and trust companies should be reduced to working balances and the residue invested in improved securities. The board voted further that in the future all questions of real estate transactions should be submitted to it by

the executive committee. The action taken by the board yesterday was regarded in Wall Street as a step toward reform. All of the resolutions had Mr. Hyde's support. They could not have been passed if they hadn't, for he was in complete control of the meeting. The action in regard to the agency advances was regarded as a direct slap by Hyde at Tarbell. The plan for the reorganization of the executive committee also hit the second vice-president, and the statement was made after the meeting that Mr.

Hyde was out now for Tarbell's scalp. Allied with him in his effort to crush the second vice-president in the society affairs is, it was said, President James W. Alexander, who has had the support of Mr. Tarbell ever since the controversy began in

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BROTHER GRAFTED TO SISTER. Children Must Remain Motionless for Days in Skin Operation.

PHILADELPHIA, June 7.- Ten-year-old Lydia Finnigan of Coal Forge, Pa., was burned about the neck and face a year ago. Her thirteen-year-old half-brother, Edward Ickes, at noon to-day submitted to a remarkable and painful skin grafting operation, entailing the covering of most of Lydia's chin with skin from his arm.

The operation was performed at the Methodist Hospital. It will be a week or ten days before the children can be liberated from their cramped position. During the time when the flap of skin on the arm of the boy is adhering to the chin of his sister the slightest movement of either patient may cause the operation to fail.

During the nights nurses will be on watch

to prevent motion. The cots are placed against each other diagonally. Straps through the mattresses cover almost every part of the bodies of both children, leaving only the legs of the boy any possibility of movement. Between them is placed a triangular the triangle and under his arm. The incision, about eight inches long, was made lengthwise on the under part of the upper arm above the elbow and the flap of skin falls to a point just below the girl's larynx and reaches to her lips.

They must remain strapped until the wound has healed over enough to allow the flap of skin to be freed from the natural nourishment from the boy's body.

Newsbay Picks Up \$5,000 String of Pearls

in the Street. PRILADELPHIA, June 7 .- Mrs. Barclay Warburton's \$5,000 pearl necklace, which she lost while going to her hair dresser yesterday, was found by a boy who works on Walnut street, who in turn was found by Detective Timothy Cleary, who recently joined the active street workers of the

Central Office. Bernard Cahilly is the name of the boy, who is of the poor but honest variety. He picked the necklace up at noon yesterday. His mother took it to a jeweler for an estimate. The jeweler put its correct value of \$5,000 on the necklace. Then he got thinking and notified the police.

Detective Timothy O'Leary was assigned to find the boy. He found him and his mother just as they were about to take the pearls back to Mrs. Warburton. They had been reading some fanciful values given to the trinket, ranging from \$25,000 \$60,000, and saw a fortune in the reward. They gladly gave the necklace over to O'Leary. Up to midnight the boy had not received any reward. Detective Tim says he'll make it his business to see that

SPOILT UNIFORM AND NO MEDAL.

Bernard gets one.

Able Seaman Explains to Resour That He Was Bathing.

Petti Francora, able seaman, fell overpoard last evening between Pier A and Pier 1. North River.

"A guy is in the water," yelled a man who ran into the police station at Pier A to Sergt. "If I rescue him I get a medal." said

Sergt. Paulding loud enough for Policeman Abel Van Tassell to hear.

I want the medal." Van Tassell was first to the stringpiece and he jumped in, uniform and all, and got the able seaman. Paulding belped pull

"It eez a very dam good bath, no?" said the able seaman. "You get no medal," said Paulding to the

"Sure, he says he was only taking wet cop. Francora was sent to the Hudson street

hospital. There his condition was diagnosed as immersion within and without Van Tassell ruined a new uniform.

STRIKE CONFERENCE FAILS.

Employers Refuse to Call Off Protection for Non-Union Teamsters

CHICAGO, June 7.—A demand for the immediate withdrawal of police protection from non-union teamsters in the event that the strike was called off proved a stumbling block in the way of peace to-day. Negotiations were again broken off, but they may be resumed to-morrow.

A committee from the teamsters, invested with full power to make a settlement, together with President Shea, met with representatives of the employers in the offices of Levy Mayer this afternoon. Alonzo Wygant of the United States Express Company was present a few minutes, but took no part, as he said the express companies would not discuss peace terms with the unions.

The employers refused point blank to con sider the withdrawal of police protection as long as they believed there was any ssibility of violence. They also stated that they could make no settlement for the express companies, a point insisted on by the union men. The conference broke up without making any arrangements for the further discussion of the subject.

POKER ROOM SCRAP ON CARONIA. Little Red Bearded Man Wants to Lick

Willard, Six Footer. In midsea on Saturday night aboard the Cunarder Caronia, in yesterday from Liverpool and Queenstown, there was a game of cards in the smokeroom just after supper. Many passengers were interested spectators, including Hallie Erminie Rives. the novelist. Edward A. Willard, a heavy six footer, was playing against a little red bearded man, who repeatedly lost. Finally the little man got up, and, shaking his right forefinger at his ponderous antagonist. said loud enough to be hear! by everybody

in the room: You're an impostor! I've played with you before and I've seen your friend making signals to you with his finger!" You're a welcher," said the big man

"I'm more of a man than you are," the red bearded one yelled, "and I'll bet you \$10 to \$100-and here it is-that if you come out on deck I'll do you to a finish."

The big man said nothing as the little
man danced around him shaking a tremulous fist as close to the big fellow's nose as the difference in altitude permit of the little man subdued him. rmitted. Friends

DEWET'S FINE OLD SHERRY WINE. An Excellent Appetizer, aids digestion.

ODELL-HEARST CITY TICKET.

TOM HAMILTON FOR MAYOR, LITTLETON FOR COMPTROLLER.

Latest Bulletin of the Intentions of the Littleton Said to Think He'd Rather Run for Mayor Than for Comptroller.

With Chairman Odell of the Republican State committee to arrive in New York on Saturday, his friends who are interested yesterday to give an outline of Mr. Odell's program in the approaching fight. They and that County Clerk Thomas I. Hamilwith Chairman Odell, had been selected by Mr. Odell months ago as his candidate for Mayor next fall. Then these people who said that they were in the confidence of Chairman Odell went on to declare that Mr. Hamilton's nomination would be accompanied by a fusion of the New York city Republican organization with the Hearst Municipal Ownership League, of which William R. Rearst is the Grand Panjandrum, and that the Hearst league had already made arrangements to nominate Martin W. Littleton for Comptroller on the Odell-Hearst ticket. Mr. Littleton is now President of the Borough of Brook-When Mr. Littleton has been asked for his views on the ticket he has had very little to say, although yesterday he was inclined to believe that "the political situation in New York city is intolerable, sir, intolerable!"

It is known that those in the combination, which is already spoken of as the Odell-Hearst movement, have discussed Mr. Littleton's availability from their standpoint for the nomination for Comptroller on the Odell-Hearst fusion ticket. Moreover, Mr. Littleton, it was said last night, had expressed no aversion to the proposition. As a matter of fact, it was accepted by Republicans well informed in these diggings, and by followers of Mr. Hearst, that the nomination of Mr. Hamilton for Mayor is already assured, and that the nomination of Mr. Littleton for Comptroller has been prac-

tically settled upon.

Some of Mr. Littleton's friends said. though, that he should be considered Mayoralty timber himself, very much more so than County Clerk Hamilton, and certain friends of Mr. Littleton said that he should hold out and demand the nomination for Mayor; and that should be get it Mr. Hamilton could be nominated for Comptroller. The Republicans in the Odell-Hearst combination, however, said that Mr. Littleton should be satisfied with the nomination for Comptroller, because they would not under any circumstances attempt to thwart the ambition of County Clerk Hamilton to become the Mayoralty candidate against Col.

George B. McClellan next fall. sident Littleton in the St. Louis convention nominated Alton B. Parker as the Democratic national candidate for President. He is a Southern Democrat who has been "in our midst" but a few years, and yet he has established a reputation for oratory and his rise in Democratic politics has been swift, much swifter than that of some of the wheel horses of the Democracy pereabouts who had been planning and plotting for political ascendency long before Mr. Littleton ever thought of leaving his home in the Lone Star State to shed his

The Odell-Hearst combination has not it was said, selected its candidate for president of the Board of Aldermen. Here is an opportunity, it was said, for the stepright-up-fellows, and from this time on candidates for this important place will be heard from.

LIGHTNING STRIKES FLAGPOLE. Blaze on Palace Hotel Roof Goes Out of

. Itself-Little Girl's Narrow Escape. The flagpole on the Palace Hotel, run by McKeever Bros., at 686 West street, was

struck by lightning yesterday afternoon. The upper part of the pole was torn off and knocked into the street. A little girl who was passing just got out of the way in time.

The part of the pole that remained on the hotel blazed up, and Policeman McCabe of the Charles street station, who was standing across the street, sounded an alarm for the engines. When the firemen arrived the blaze had died out.

NATIONAL MUSEUM ROBBED. Karr, the Disbursing Officer, Confesses to Have Taken About \$46,000

WASHINGTON, June 7 .- W. W. Karr, the disbursing officer of the National Museum, which is operated as a bureau of the Smithsonian Institution, was arrested to-day on complaint of Samuel P. Langley, secretary of the institution, on the charge of embezzlement. Karr admitted his guilt and confessed to having stolen about \$46,000. His peculations, he admitted, began about tifteen years ago.

On Monday, when bills against the National Museum were received by the Smithsonian Institution, it was found that there was no money in the treasury to the particular account out of which these bills were to be paid. The officers of the institution were very much astonished over this condition, as they had supposed that there was a credit of about \$50,000 to the fund in

Karr did not appear at his office on Monday. On Tuesday the institution was informed that a check which it had drawn Plans Not Yet Matured for Transfer of on the Riggs National Bank of this city in favor of the United States Treasury had been dishonored by the tank for the reason that there were no funds there to the institution's credit. Karr was then suspected, and when officers of the institution called on him at his residence he confessed that he was an embezzler. He made no effort to get away.

Karr, it is said, had no bad habits and had made no expenditures beyond his means. In his confession he said that he did not know what had become of the money and that nobody else was implicated in his peculations.

Karr is 52 years old and has a wife and four children. He was born in Louisiana and was appointed disbursing officer of the National Museum from Tennessee about twenty years ago.

It is probable that Karr's shortage is greater than \$46,000, which was the amount of his embezzlement at the end of the fiscal

EMBEZZIERS & DISHONEST EMPLOYEES can be insured against by the fidelity bonds of THE AETNA INDEMNITY COMPANY guarantee-

THREE HURT IN BRIDGE CRUSH. EXPRESS DERAILED ON DRAW Men Trampled in Fool Rush for First Car

After Long Smith Street Blockade. Because of a block in Brooklyn last evening no Smith street cars reached the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge between 5:45 and 6:80 o'clock. When the first car did run into loop 6 there were a couple of People's Friends in These Parts-Mr. hundred persons waiting. They made a rush for it.

In a jiffy it was full. In the fight to get board two boys and a man were knocked own and trampled. The women in the crowd were handled roughly, but they struggled with the men and many of them in the municipal campaign this fall began got on the car. When they did get aboard they were almost faint from the rush.

The cries of the three who were trampled said that they knew all about it and had and the yells of those who were being known all about it for a number of months, pushed and shoved by the crowd brought several policemen with Sergt. Donohue, of ton, who is to arrive on the same steamship the Bridge police. The policemen drove the crowd back with their clubs and ordered the overcrowded car to start. Then they took charge of the three injured.

They were assisted to the emergency hospital of the Bridge and an ambulance was summoned from the Hudson street hospital. The three injured were Leo Dreyfuss, 16 years old, of 98 Tillary street, Brooklyn; John Marley, 16 years old, of East Ninth street, Flatbush, and Frederick Oldhoff, 32 years old, a photographer, of 202 Greenwood street, Windsor terrace. All had received bruises and were attended by an ambulance surgeon. Then they went home. There was no occasion for the crush, as there were more Smith street cars than enough once the line was opened.

WON'T HAVE CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

Vardaman Says University Deesn't Want Money Coined From Blood and Tears. NEW ORLEANS, June 7 .- The board of trustees of the University of Mississippi has rejected the offer of Andrew Carnegie of \$25,000 to assist in the construction of a library for the university. Gov. Vardaman, who is a member of the board, says that the offer was rejected as a matter of principle, adding:

"I would rather see the walls of the State university and our colleges crumble into dust and the buildings be battered and grimy than that they should be built up and handsomely painted and furnished by this money, which has been coined from the blood and tears of the toiling masses, demanding the usury of self-respect, which

we cannot afford to pay.

"We may not have in Mississippi the scientific equipment for imparting knowledge and all the modern accessories that make up the great institutions of learning. but we have the means of making strong and stalwart men and women who scorn the slavery of wealth and stand unequaled in their proud independence of thought."

"GET A GUN," SAYS FINN.

Magistrate's Advice to Man Arrested in Alleged Poolroom Exchange.

Acting Captain Bourke and Detective Underbill of the Mercer street station made a raid yesterday afternoon on an alleged poolroom information bureau at 848 Broadway. They found in two offices on the eighth floor seven telephones, seven men and some racing sheets.

One man was arrested. He said he was Joseph Clarke, a clerk, living at 229 East Seventh street. The names of the other six men were taken. When the prisoner was arraigned in the Jefferson Market Police Court Magistrate Finn, without much preamble, discharged him

"Telephones are not gambling apparatus, said the Magistrate. "If people continue to break into your office this way," he told

Acting Captain Bourke offered the tele-

Clarke, "just you get a gun." Honor?" queried Bourke.

"Give them back to this man." ordered Magistrate Finn. "All the newspapers have the same kind of sheets in their

Somewhat crestfallen, Acting Captain Bourke gave up his trophies. When asked what he intended to do about it, he said: "Guess I'll have to wear a suit of armor, after this."

MRS. HAYWARD'S WILLS.

Sald to Have Made the Last One the Day Before She Died-Big Estate.

A despatch from Oakland, Cak, yesterday said that the will of Mrs. Charity Hayward, widow of Alvinza Hayward, left her estate of between \$5,000,000 and \$8,000,000 to her daughter, Mrs. Emma Rose. Mrs. Hayward died in Newark of pneumonia on June 1 at the home of a niece, Mrs Thomas S. Henry of 1177 Broad street.

Former Judge Thomas S. Henry said vesterday that Mrs. Hayward made a will the day before she died at his home. This will, he said, named a number of beneficiaries, his wife among others. The will disavowed all previous wills save one made twenty years ago. That offered for probate in Oakland is said to bear the date March 21, 1903. The Newark will names William Nelson Crommell, the lawyer, executor. Under the laws of New Jersey a will cannot be offered for probate until ten days after the death of the testator, so that the will will not be offered for several

days yet. Mrs. Hayward was 80 years old. The body will be taken to California by her daughter. Mrs. Andrew W. Rose of 32 East Fiftyseventh street.

SIGSBEE WON'T SAIL TO-DAY.

Body of John Paul Jones to Squadron.

Rear Admiral Sigsbee's squadron, consisting of the armored cruiser Brooklyn (flagship) and the protected cruisers Galveston, Tacoma and Chattanooga, will not as il for Cherbourg this morning to bring from France the body of John Paul Jones. The squadron is ready for sea, but at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon signal was set from the flagship saying that the start had been delayed.

WASHINGTON, June 7.-According to an announcement made by an officer of the Navy Department to-night, Admiral Sigsbee's squadron was ordered to be prepared to sail by June 8, but that date was never definitely fixed. Gen. Porter, the retiring Ambassador to France; Robert S. McCormick, newly appointed Ambassador, and the State Department are now exchanging telegrams looking toward definite plans. Propositions are under consideration for ransferring the remains from Paris to Havre and to Cherbourg. Neither has been definitely selected, nor has the nature of the teremonies, or where they shall occur. When these questions are settled Admiral Sigsboe's squadron will sail.

NEW YORK CENTRAL TRAINS HELD UP MORE THAN AN HOUR.

And Drawbridge Closed More Than Three Hours While the Harlem River Men Used Language-No Passengers Hurt -Broken Rail Caused the Trouble.

The White Plains express, which left the

Grand Central station at 11:26 o'clock yesterday morning, was derailed crossing the Harlem River drawbridge, the engine and two coaches leaving the track. None of the passengers was hurt, but Engineer Carrigan was slightly cut by broken glass. All trains on the four tracks of the New York Central lines, incoming and outgoing, were delayed for an hour and ten minutes, and it was nearly three hours and a hal

before traffic was resumed on the outgoing express track. It was not until the wreck had been cleared that the drawbridge could be opened, and shipping on the Harlem River at that point was at a standstill, which brought forth blistering blasts from the river men.

The train was made up of three passenger coaches and a baggage car. When the locomotive had gone about twenty feet on to the bridge it left the track and with the first coaches plowed along for 120 feet, the 250 passengers getting a fine jolting. Bridgetender James Fredeicksron ran to the signal tower, a quarter of a mile north of the drawbridge, and had the signals set warning all inbound and outbound trains. The Poughkeepsie express, which left the Grand Central a few minutes after the White Plains express, was stopped about a quarter of a mile below the draw-

bridge. Division Superintendent Slater ordered that no trains were to pass the wreck until it had been definitely learned how serious the accident was. After about half an hour's delay an empty train was made up at the Grand Central and run up to the drawbridge, and it took the passengers of the wrecked train over on the local track.

The same thing was done with all the express trains that followed, until the express track was cleared, but these trains were delayed for some time: Fast Mail, Southwestern Limited, Chicago Limited, afternoon Empire State and Twentieth Century Limited.

The accident was due to a broken rail. CASSATT CALLS ON WEAVER.

Whereupon Stories of Angry Voices and Railroads and Polities Crop Out.

PHILADELPHIA, June 7 .-- A. J. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad visited Mayor Weaver at City Hall to-day and was closeted with him for more than an hour. It is the first time in municipal history that a president of the Pennsylvania Railroad has entered the office of a Mayor of Philadelphia. Usually the Mayors call on the president or that official's wishes are conveyed to Philadelphia's executive by some employee.

It was given out officially from Mr. Cassatt's office that he had seen the Mayor regarding new trackage for a low grade freight line having its terminus in West Philadelphia. Nobody could be found who believed that this was the case.

The most persistent story on the street been getting more and more alarmed at advisers toward corporations allied with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and had found special cause for anxiety in the reports that there is a Gould finger in the present Philadelphia political pie, and therefore Mr. Cassatt called to determine just how

much fire is under the smoke. The Pennsylvania Railroad controls the State organization and controlled also the broken city machine. John M. Mack, the asphalt man, has been reported as being the agent of the Goulds in the new organi-

zation. Another story was that the Mayor had asked Mr. Cassatt to come to his office and had souncied him on the position of the Pennsylvania Railroad in the fall election. Those responsible for this yarn told also of an angry reply on the part of Cassatt that it was none of the Mayor's business.

Men who were in the room adjacent to the Mayor's office say that several times the voices of the Mayor and Mr. Cassatt were raised angrily. The Wabash story was the favorite up to

late hour. MOTHER AND SON DEAD.

He Was Stricken on a Ferryboat While

Hastening to Her Bedside. Isaac MacPeek, a manager for Ballantine & Co., the brewers, at 134 Cedar street, was stricken with heart disease yesterday on the Lackawanna ferryboat Binghamton. He died in an ambulance on the way to St. Mary's Hospital in Hoboken. He was on his way to his mother's bed-

side when stricken. Mr. MacPeek lived at 65 Jefferson avenue, Jersey City Heights. His son, Ivan, received word that he had died suddenly and almost simultaneously got a telegram announcing the death of his grandmother Mrs. Elizabeth MacPeek, at Andover Sussex county, N. J. Mother and son died

an hour apart. Mr. MacPeek was 48 years old. He weighed over 200 pounds and was a man of unusual strength. He could raise a dead weight of five hundred pounds without any trouble, and his family didn't know that he suffered from any organic

BLAZE UNDER THE HOSPITAL. J. Hood Wright Orderlies Extinguished It

All Hands Cool While Danger Lasted. A fire was started in the furnace in the cellar of the ambulance stable at the J. Hood Wright Hospital yesterday. Some of the employees had put their old clothes on the supply pipe, and the heat caused them to ignite. John Meyer, one of the drivers, saw a streak of smoke coming

through cracks.

He broke into the storeroom, which is near the boiler room, and there he found the blaze just beginning to make headway. He notified Supt. Townley, and all the employees in the hospital were summoned to quarters. A still alarm was set to Engine Company 37, and everything was made

ready for any emergency throughout the hospital building.

The orderlies formed a bucket brigade. and the fire was put out by the time the firemen arrived.
Supt. Townley said that the fire drill went off like clockwork, and if the fire had een a serious one everybody would have een got out of the building in quick time.

As it was, the damage was only trifling.

ANNOYED MISS ROOSEVELT. letter Writing Swedish Youth Again Sent

te an Insane Asylum BLOOMINGTON, Ill., June 7.-Because he wrote numerous letters to Miss Alice Roosevelt, all suggesting matrimony, John John

son, a Swedish youth of this city, was taken into custody this morning by Elmer Gorman a Secret Service officer of Chicago. Johnson is an inoffensive appearing youth. His mind is weak and he has been an inmate of an insane asylum. The letter writing had continued for the last year

and had become such a nuisance that the case was turned over to the Secret Service men by President Roosevelt. Johnson was adjudged insane this after noon and will be taken to the asylum at Jack-

DIFFERENCE THAT \$500 MAKES. Ethel Barrymore Raised a Purse on the

Caronia for Aged Deported Couple. It is related aboard the Cunard liner Caronia, in yesterday from Liverpool and Queenstown, that while she was in the embrace of the mud of the main ship channel at the beginning of her last trip to the east Ethel Barrymore went down among the steerage passengers to find out how they were taking the holding up of the She found an aged Swedish couple who told her that they had been deported after landing at Ellis Island because they were poor and old and likely to become public charges. They said they had a son out West, but that he was not able to send them the price of tickets to his home.

Miss Barrymore told the story of the couple's trouble to the cabin passengers and all hands chipped in and made up a ourse of \$500. The old folks said that they would come back on the next steamship and go out to their son, who had promised to take care of them if they could get to

COL. DAVIS GOES TO CONGRESS. Henry Gassaway's Brother Wins Election by Over 700 Votes.

CUMBERLAND, Md., June 7 .- Col. Thomas B. Davis, Democrat, brother of Henry G. Davis, won by 700 votes over James S. Lakin, Republican, in the special Congressional election in the Second West Virginia district to-day. As it was an off year, no politics was involved in the campaign, and hundreds of leading Republicans voted to please the old gentleman, who is approaching 80 years.

He is now the biggest Democrat in the State, and many Democrats are rejoicing over his eclipsing the McGraw-Cornwell combine, which has dominated Democratic State politics for years with poor results. Davis is looked upon as the next Democratic candidate for Governor.

COLOR LINE AT PUERTO PLATA. Objection Made to a Negro Who Was Appointed Consul to That Port.

WASHINGTON, June 7.-The appointment of W. W. Handley of New York as Consul at Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, was an nounced by the State Department to-day. Herbert S. Wright, a negro lawyer, of Des Moines, Ia., has been under appointment as Consul to Puerto Plata for several weeks and his commission was signed, but has now been revoked. It is understood that there was objection on the part of commercial organizations in Puerto Plata to the color of the new United States Consul. was that the Pennsylvania Railroad has Mr. Handley has been a consular agent at Matanzas.

MRS. ROOSEVELT'S FARM.

She Bought Place in Virginia and Will Make Frequent Trips From Washington. RICHMOND, Va., June 7.-It was Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt who purchased a summer home in Albemarle county, near Scottsville, and not the President, as reported yesterday. Advices from Scottsville say that Mrs. Roosevelt will run down from time to time in the hot weather, accompanied by her children, and possibly sometimes by the President.

The farm consists of fifteen acres. There is a frame house on the property. It was purchased from W. N. Wilmer of New York, who owns the Springfield place, of which it was a part. The frame house has been altered considerably in accordance with the wishes of Mrs. Roosevelt.

FIREMEN MUSTN'T PAINT.

Union Warns Commissioner Hayes That He Must Live Up to Their Rules.

A committee from the Amalgamated Painters' Society called on Fire Commissioner Hayes yesterday with a complaint that men in the department were painting the fireboats and the stations instead of union painters.

The committee reported afterward that the Commissioner promised not to repeat the offense and said that in future the work would be contracted for. He was asked to see that the union scale

of \$4 a day was paid, but could give no guarantee on that point for this year. He explained that his appropriation was \$7,000 short. He promised, however, to see that the union scale would be paid next year.

SHAH OF PERSIA NEEDN'T PAY tect Who Did Work for Him.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Paris, June 7.—The court has decided that the Shah of Persia cannot be compelled to pay debts incurred in France because he is a sovereign and therefore not amenable to French law.

The architect who erected the Persian pavilion at the Paris exposition sent a bill to the Shah some time ago and received a decoration for himself and medals for the workmen. The latter rejected the medals and demanded cash for their labor. They sued the architect, who was compelled to pay them. This caused his bankruptcy. He subsequently applied to the court for authority to distrain the Shah's baggage on his forthcoming visit, but the court refused to issue such an order.

TAX CLUB FAKERS.

Men Accused of Collecting Fraudulent Gov. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania sur rendered yesterday to the New York authorities Charles F. Stewart and John J. Fay who were arrested in Pittsburg accused of fraudulently representing themselves as connected with the Department of Taxes and Assessments here. They collected, it alleged, money for the alleged purpose of fitting up club rooms for the employees

Commissioner Strasbourger said last night that he understood the men had raised a good deal of money. He said he would urge their prosecution to the full limit of the law.

of the department.

CZAR READY TO HEAR TERMS.

Real Step Toward Peace Taken With Ald of President Roosevelt.

TO LEARNJAPAN'S DEMANDS

United States Apparently Will Do This Work For Russia.

Minister Takahira, Though III, Makes Night Call at the White House -- Declines to Discuss His Mission-American Ambassador Meyer Talks With the Czar -Russian Admiral at Mantia, Getting Positive Orders to Leave, Pleads Ships Are Unseawerthy-Gets Some Coal.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. St. Petersburg, June 7.-As a result of

council of the Ministers, held at Tsarskos-Selo yesterday, instructions were telegraphed to-day to the Russian Ambassadors at Washington and Paris to the effect that Russia is desirous of learning Japan's peace conditions.

Mr. Meyer, the American Ambassador, had a special audience with the Czar to-day. His visit followed an interview between him and Foreign Minister Lamsdorff at a late hour last night.

LONDON, June 8.—The statement from St. Petersburg that Russia is anxious to learn Japan's conditions of peace is not supported from any source in Paris or elsewhere in Europe. On the contrary, Russia's determination to continue fighting at all costs is reasserted, coupled with a report that the whole western frontier of Russia will be denuded of troops to reenforce Gen. Linievitch.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says there is considerable speculation over a mysterious visit of Mr. Meyer, the American Ambassador, to Tsarskoe-Selo Wednesday afternoon. The stories of American mediation are revived, although according to the correspondent no founda-

tion for them is thus far apparent. Suspicion of Germany is growing. The Russ publishes a remarkable article showing that Germany fomented and continues to encourage the war with the sole aim of weakening Russia, thus acquiring a free hand to settle the destinies of Austria-Hun-

gary and the Balkans. NIGHT CONFERENCE AT WHITE ROUSE. WASHINGTON, June 7 .- The path to peace has been laid, and the first step is about to

be taken. George von L. Meyer, the American Ambassador at St. Petersburg, had an important conference with the Czar to-day, and following its conclusion the Government at Washington was apparently assured that the Russian sovereign, instead of being offended over the knowledge that the United States is arxious to bring about a conclusion of hostilities between his country and Japan, is willing to have President Roosevelt ascertain from the Japanese Government the terms upon which it will

consent to negotiate a peace treaty. Kogoro Takahira, the Japanese Minister, got out of bed to-night, although sick, and went to the White House in a nasty, cold drizzle to confer with President Roose-

In the absence of any authoritative statement little doubt is felt that the President asked the Japanese envoy to ascertain from Tokio the primary conditions upon which negotiations with Russia could be under-

The President has cautioned Government officers and heads of foreign establishments who are aware of what is being done in the interests of peace to furnish no information to the press, and in these circumstances it is impossible to make any definite statement of what has happened. The most explicit information furnished. in fact the only bit of positive knowledge obtainable, is that this Government has not made a tender of good offices to Russia.

While a denial is suggested rather than made that the State Department has received any message from Ambassador Meyer, it is acknowledged that any despatches from him with regard to peace terms would probably go direct to the White House, and the White House is silent as the

The Government knew, however, in advance of Mr. Meyer's visit to the Czar that he was to go to Tsarskoe-Selo to-day, but whether he was directed from Washington to ask for an audience or was invited by the

Emperor is not forthcoming. RUSSIAN EMBASSY SECRETIVE

Press despatches from St. Petersburg this evening contained the statement that the Russian Ambassadors at Washington and Paris had been informed that Russia wished to learn the peace conditions which Japan would be willing to offer. It was said at the Russian Embassy to-night that no information had been received there to confirm the statement.

It is suspected, however, from the attitude and guarded remarks of Government officers, that the United States at least has direct knowledge that its services in approaching Japan will not be unwelcome to Russia, and may not deem it necessary

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